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2011 Acreage

Iowa: Corn planted for all purposes increased 6 percent from 2010 to 14.2 million acres. Corn to be harvested for grain is forecasted at 13.8 million acres. Soybean acres planted is estimated at 9.20 million, down 600,000 from 2010, a 6 percent decrease. Soybean acres to be harvested is forecasted at 9.11 million acres. The acreage estimates in this report are based on data collected from May 29 through June 17.

Producers also reported the percent of genetically modified (GM) seed varieties used to plant the 2011 corn and soybean acres. The percent of corn acreage planted to insect resistant (Bt) varieties is estimated at 13 percent, herbicide resistant only varieties were planted on 16 percent of the acres, and stacked gene varieties were planted on 61 percent of the acres. Overall, 90 percent of the corn acreage was planted to GM seed. Ninety-seven percent of Iowa's soybean acreage was planted with herbicide resistant GM seed.

United States: Corn planted area for all purposes in 2011 is estimated at 92.3 million acres, up 5 percent from last year, and the second highest planted acreage in the United States since 1944, behind only the 93.5 million acres planted in 2007. Growers expect to

harvest 84.9 million acres for grain, up 4 percent from last year.

Soybean planted area for 2011 is estimated at 75.2 million acres, down 3 percent from last year. Area for harvest, at 74.3 million acres, is also down 3 percent from 2010. Record high planted acreage is estimated in New York and North Dakota.

All wheat planted area is estimated at 56.4 million acres, up 5 percent from 2010. The 2011 winter wheat planted area, at 41.1 million acres, is up 10 percent from last year. Of this total, about 29.1 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 8.3 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.7 million acres are White Winter. Area planted to other spring wheat for 2011 is estimated at 13.6 million acres, down 1 percent from 2010. Of this total, about 12.9 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Durum planted area for 2011 is estimated at 1.70 million acres, down 34 percent from the previous year. Flooding in the Dakotas reduced acres planted to other spring and Durum wheat.

2011 Crop Summary, June 1, Iowa and United States

	Iowa				United States			
Crop	Planted for All Purposes		Harvested for Grain 1		Planted for All Purposes		Harvested for Grain 1	
	2010	2011	2010	2011 ²	2010	2011	2010	2011 ²
	(1,000 Acres)	(1,000 Acres)	(1,000 Acres)	(1,000 Acres)	(1,000 Acres)	(1,000 Acres)	(1,000 Acres)	(1,000 Acres)
Corn, all	13,400	14,200	13,050	13,750	88,192	92,282	81,446	84,888
Oats	180	135	70	60	3,138	2,587	1,263	934
Soybeans	9,800	9,200	9,730	9,110	77,404	75,208	76,616	74,258
Hay, all	*	*	1,200	1,070	*	*	59,862	57,605
Alfalfa	*	*	880	730	*	*	19,956	19,329
All other	*	*	320	340	*	*	39,906	38,276
Winter Wheat	15	23	10	16	37,335	41,108	31,749	32,307

¹ Harvested for principal use of each crop.

² Forecasted.

^{*} Data not available.